

DMR Eastern Maine Regional Shellfish Meeting
University of Maine at Machias Reynolds Center
116 O'Brien Ave, Machias, ME 04654

Wednesday, December 4, 2024
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Goal: Provide an in-person, accessible, and interactive opportunity for you to engage with the DMR Bureau of Public Health and local shellfish community members to build upon shared knowledge.

Objectives:

- Provide information to the shellfish community and clarify what resources are available from DMR and other community partners.
- Allow for an open forum to ask questions, share concerns and learn best practices from other shellfish programs.

Who Should Attend: Anyone with an interest in Maine's municipal shellfish programs, shellfish committee members, wardens, municipal administrators, harvesters, residents of coastal communities, and members of the public.

AGENDA:

12:00 Meet and Greet

12:15 Welcome and Introductions – Heidi Leighton, Marine Resource Scientist

12:25 Taking a Deeper Dive into a Few Key Topics

- *DMR Annual Shellfish Management Reviews – Heidi Leighton*
- *Shoreline Access Contracts: Protecting harvester access to the flats – Bill Zoellick, Gouldsboro Shore*
- *Green Crab Trapping Project: Testing mesh sizes to attempt to capture small crabs – Mike Pinkham, Gouldsboro Shellfish Program*
- *Tips and suggestions for completing Army Corps of Engineers applications – Mark Whiting, Hancock Soil & Water Conservation District*

1:00 Round Table Q & A

- An opportunity to ask questions, share concerns and explore answers